GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
EXTERNAL AFFAIRS
LOK SABHA

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CONVERSION OF HINDUS INTO ISLAM
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Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the incidents of attacks and forcible conversion of Hindus into Muslims have increased in Pakistan and Malaysia;

(b) if so, the details thereof ;

(c) whether the issue has been raised by India with the respective Governments of the concerned countries; and

(d) if so, the reaction of the Governments of these countries thereto ?

Answer

MINISTER OF THE STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS (SHRI PRANAB MUKHERJEE)

(a)-(b) The Pakistan press continues to carry reports of violence including kidnapping and forced conversion against citizens of Pakistan belonging to minority groups, including Hindus. No recent attack on Hindus in Malaysia has come to the notice of Government. In 2005, there was an incident of alleged forced conversion of a Hindu to Islam in Malaysia.

(c) No.

(d) Does not arise.